

SEVENTH  
SUNDAY

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AFTER THE  
EPIPHANY

# ST. LUCAS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN

## Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

February 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

### The Season

“Epiphany” comes from a Greek word that means “reveal.” When someone has an epiphany, it’s not that reality changed. The way they see that reality is what changed, for a deeper truth has been revealed. In the Church Year, Epiphany is the season where we see Jesus begin his ministry, revealing the reason the Son of God came to earth.

### The Sunday

Throughout this season of Epiphany, Jesus has described the governing principles of his kingdom being completely opposite to the governing principles of the world. Jesus tells us to befriend our enemies, to love those who hate us, and to repay evil with good. When we were Christ’s enemies, he loved us to the point of death. He repays our daily wrongs with the daily goodness of his mercy.

### The Service

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar in which we joyfully receive Christ’s body and blood, in, with, and under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. As we celebrate the Sacrament we also give public confession of our complete unity in the Christian faith. We invite communicant members of St. Lucas Lutheran Church, or of another congregation in the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) or of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) to commune. If you are a guest visiting with us today, please refrain from communing until you have spoken with our pastor. The congregation reads the portions in bold print.

### Prayer before Worship

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Thank you, loving Lord, for cleansing me of my sins and adopting me into your family through the miracle of Holy Baptism. As I worship today, help me remember what my baptism means to me. Lead me to feel genuine sorrow for my sins and empower me to put down the sinful nature that still lives in me. Lift me up as I hear your promise of forgiveness and give me strength to live a life pleasing to you.

### Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister: Pastor Timothy Henning

Organist: Coralee Henning

# May We Your Precepts, Lord, Fulfill

CW 697

Stand for the 3<sup>rd</sup> stanza



1 May we your pre - cepts, Lord, ful - fill and do on  
2 So may we join your name to bless, your grace a -  
3 Spir - it of life, of love, and peace, u - nite our



earth our Fa - ther's will as an - gels do a - bove;  
dore, your pow'r con - fess, to flee from sin and strife.  
hearts, our joy in - crease, your gra - cious help sup - ply.



still walk in Christ, the liv - ing way, with all your  
One is our call - ing, one our name, the end of  
To each of us the bless - ing give in Chris - tian



chil - dren, and o - bey the law of Chris - tian love.  
all our hopes the same: a glo - rious crown of life.  
fel - low - ship to live, in joy - ful hope to die.

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In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Confession

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

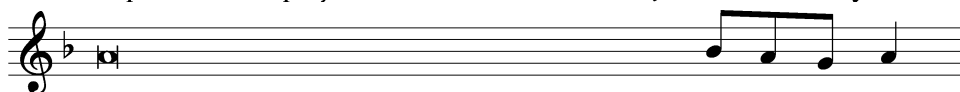
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

# Lord, Have Mercy



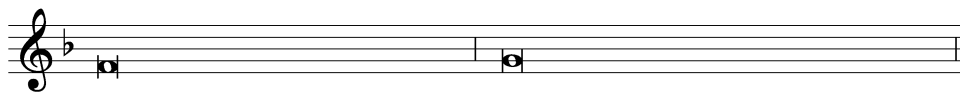
In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



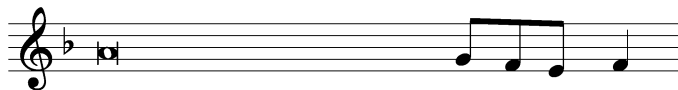
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



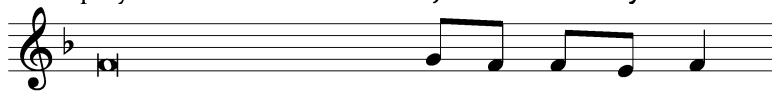
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**A - men.**

# Glory Be to God on High

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



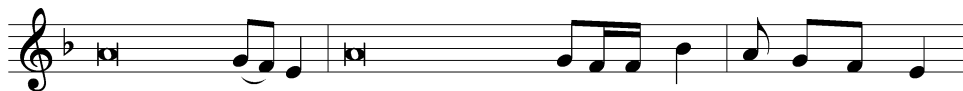
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



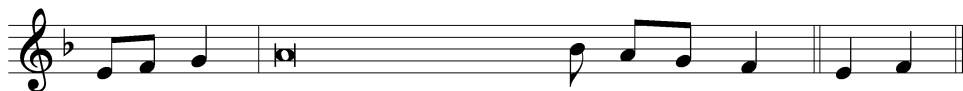
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

# The Word

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, keep your family continually in true faith, so that those who rely only on the hope of your heavenly grace may be protected by your mighty power; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

*Genesis 45:3–15*

*Joseph forgave his brothers after they had sold him into slavery.*

<sup>3</sup>Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph! Is my father still living?” But his brothers were not able to answer him, because they were terrified at his presence.

<sup>4</sup>Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come close to me.” When they had done so, he said, “I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! <sup>5</sup>And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you. <sup>6</sup>For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will be no plowing and reaping. <sup>7</sup>But God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

<sup>8</sup>“So then, it was not you who sent me here, but God. He made me father to Pharaoh, lord of his entire household and ruler of all Egypt. <sup>9</sup>Now hurry back to my father and say to him, ‘This is what your son Joseph says: God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; don’t delay. <sup>10</sup>You shall live in the region of Goshen and be near me—you, your children and grandchildren, your flocks and herds, and all you have. <sup>11</sup>I will provide for you there, because five years of famine are still to come. Otherwise you and your household and all who belong to you will become destitute.’

<sup>12</sup>“You can see for yourselves, and so can my brother Benjamin, that it is really I who am speaking to you. <sup>13</sup>Tell my father about all the honor accorded me in Egypt and about everything you have seen. And bring my father down here quickly.”

<sup>14</sup>Then he threw his arms around his brother Benjamin and wept, and Benjamin embraced him, weeping. <sup>15</sup>And he kissed all his brothers and wept over them. Afterward his brothers talked with him.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Psalm 103B



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his feet your  
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple  
3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble  
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him



trib - ute bring. Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,  
in dis - tress. Praise him, still the same as ev - er,  
frame he knows. In his hand he gent - ly bears us,  
face to face. Sun and moon, bow down be - fore him;



ev - er - more his prais - es sing; Al - le - lu - ia,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless, Al - le - lu - ia,  
res - cues us from all our foes; Al - le - lu - ia,  
all who dwell in time and space, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! praise the ev - er - last - ing King!  
al - le - lu - ia! glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness!  
al - le - lu - ia! wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows!  
al - le - lu - ia! praise with us the God of grace!

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## Second Reading

Romans 12:14–21

*Paul encouraged believers to operate on the principles of grace, forgiveness, and humility.*

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

<sup>17</sup>Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. <sup>19</sup>Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. <sup>20</sup>On the contrary:

"If your enemy is hungry, feed him;  
if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.  
In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

<sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



Stand

## Gospel Acclamation

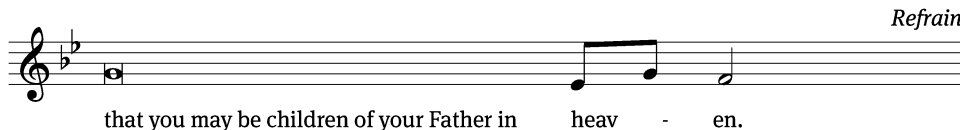
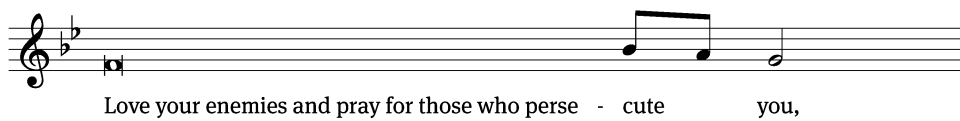
Matthew 5:44,45



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### Tone



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## Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

*Jesus calls us to show the same grace that God has shown to us.*

<sup>27</sup>“But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>“bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. <sup>29</sup>“If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. <sup>30</sup>“Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. <sup>31</sup>“Do to others as you would have them do to you.

<sup>32</sup>“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup>“And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that. <sup>34</sup>“And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. <sup>35</sup>“But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. <sup>36</sup>“Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

<sup>37</sup>“Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. <sup>38</sup>“Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

Be seated

## Children's Sermon

Children may come forward to the front pew

### Son of God, Eternal Savior

CW 729



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and  
2 Bind us all as one to - geth - er in your Church's  
3 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for  
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us,  
sa - cred fold, weak and health - y, poor and wealth - y,  
oth - ers live. Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed;  
truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



hal - lows all our hu - man race, you our head, who, throned in  
sad and joy - ful, young and old. Is there want or pain or  
free - ly may your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and yours the  
hal - lows all our hu - man race, by your pray - ing, by your



glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead: fill us with your  
sor - row? Make us all the bur - den share. Are there spir - its  
sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea; we but stew - ards  
will - ing that your peo - ple should be one, grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, heal our wrongs and help our need.  
crushed and bro - ken? Teach us, Lord, to soothe their care.  
of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.  
hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

*Stand*

## **Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## Prayer of the Church

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's Son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death.

**You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.**

Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging:

**You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.**

Prince of peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope:

**Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.**

Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. [We pray especially for...*here name the person and the cause of the petition.*] Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn.

**Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph.

**Amen.**

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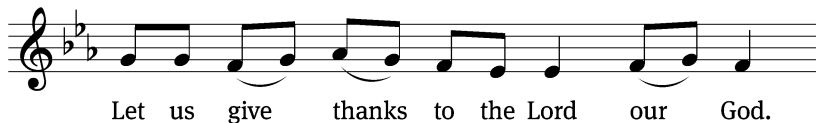
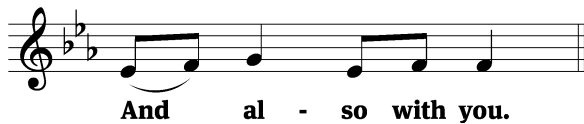
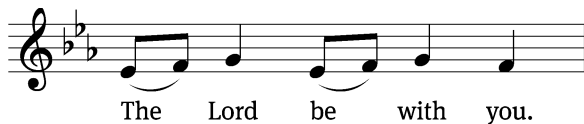


## The Sacrament

Stand

## Preface

CW 165



It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in a soprano clef. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en-ly hosts:  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -  
san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he,  
bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho-san - na, ho-san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **Words of Institution**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my ✝ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my ✝ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**Amen.**

## O Christ, Lamb of God

CW 169

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - men.

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men." The score ends with a double bar line.

Be seated

## Distribution

### Personal Prayer before Communing

*Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.*

### Personal Prayer after Communing

*Thank you, dear Savior, for nourishing my faith with the Sacrament of your body and blood. Lift my heart with your forgiveness, renew my confidence in your grace, empower my love for others, and lead me to long for the eternal banquet of heaven.*



# These Are the Holy Ten Commands

CW 634 sts. A, 4th–9/10th, B, C



A These are the ho - ly Ten Com - mands God gave to us by  
4th “Give to your par - ents hon - or due, be du - ti - ful and  
5th “You shall not mur - der, hurt, or hate; your an - ger dare not  
6th “Be faith - ful to your mar - riage vow; no lust or im - pure



Mo - ses' hands when high on Si - nai's mount he stood,  
lov - ing, too, and help them when their pow'rs are few;  
dom - i - nate. Be kind and pa - tient; help, de - fend,  
thoughts al - low, Keep all your con - duct free from sin



re - ceiv - ing them for our good. Have mer - cy, Lord!  
so shall it go well with you.” Have mer - cy, Lord!  
and treat your foe as your friend.” Have mer - cy, Lord!  
by self - con - trolled dis - ci - pline.” Have mer - cy, Lord!

7th “You shall not steal or take away  
what others worked for night and day,  
but open wide a gen'rous hand  
and help the poor in the land.”  
Have mercy, Lord!

B You have this law to see therein  
that you have not been free from sin  
but also that you clearly see  
how pure toward God life should be.  
Have mercy, Lord!

8th “Bear no false witness nor defame  
your neighbor or destroy his name,  
but view him in the kindest way;  
speak truth in all that you say.”  
Have mercy, Lord!

C Our works cannot salvation gain;  
they merit only endless pain.  
Forgive us, Lord! To Christ we flee,  
who pleads for us endlessly.  
Have mercy, Lord!

9/10th

“You shall not crave your neighbor's  
house  
nor covet money, goods, or spouse.  
Pray God he would your neighbor bless  
as you yourself wish success.”  
Have mercy, Lord!

The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go † in peace.

**Amen.**

*Stand*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

**Amen.**

## Sent Forth by God's Blessing

CW 932



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from his dwell - ing take leave.  
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face.



The sup - per is end - ed; O be now ex - tend - ed  
Our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.  
em - brac - ing his chil - dren of each tribe and race.



The seed of his teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,  
One bread that has fed us, one light that has led us



shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
u - nite us as one in his life that we share.



His grace did in - vite us; his love shall u - nite us  
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for God's king - dom and an - swer his call.  
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

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## Church Resources

**Family Devotions:** Get your family into God's Word during the week! Our church body has short devotions available for the entire family. Each devotion comes with a Set of questions for different age groups, a prayer, and hymn verses that can be sung or spoken. Please visit [wels.net/family-devotions](http://wels.net/family-devotions) to get your weekly devotions.

**Marriage Moments:** Every marriage has its "moments". That's why marriages need moments of encouragement and refreshment. *Marriage Moments* are short, weekly videos highlighting one biblical marriage thought accompanied by a discussion question. Couples may subscribe to receive the videos directly through email at [welscongregationalseivices.net/marriagemoments](mailto:welscongregationalseivices.net/marriagemoments).

**Connecting WELS Members:** Connection is more important now than ever. Our church body offers many ways for WELS members to connect through social media. Join the WELS online community at [facebook.com/welslutherans](https://facebook.com/welslutherans), [twitter.com/welstweets](https://twitter.com/welstweets), [Instagram.com/welslutherans](https://Instagram.com/welslutherans), and [vimeo.com/wels](https://vimeo.com/wels).

**WELS Together e-Newsletter:** Stay in the loop! Subscribe to the WELS Together e-Newsletter to stay connected with the people of your synod and the ministry they serve. Also, don't miss the twice-monthly videos that cover important and exciting synod news. Please visit [wels.net/together](http://wels.net/together) to read and subscribe.

**Baptism:** If you or a loved one had not yet been baptized, and are interested in more information, please contact Pastor Henning.

**Church Membership Starting Point** If you're interested in becoming a member here at St. Lucas, we would love to share with you a few Bible studies to introduce you to the biblical teaching here at St. Lucas. We are willing to set up these classes in any setting most comfortable for you, and can always find time that will work for anyone and everyone. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Henning, whose contact info can be found on the final page of this bulletin, underneath the church calendar.

## Announcements

### Call Acknowledgement Letter – Dina Dietzler:

Dear Fellow Brothers and Sisters in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ of St. Lucas Ev. Lutheran Church and School,

This past Sunday a call came to me from St. Lucas to teach Kindergarten and 1st grade and for school music director. Sharing God's Word daily and teaching all subject matter in the light of His Word is a truly humbling privilege and blessing.

The saints of St. Lucas and the needs of the school will be in my husband's and my prayers as this deliberation continues between the two callings that are held. Please pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and wisdom in weighing where my gifts will be best used to serve.

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28)

Your Sister In Christ,  
Dina Dietzler

**Sacred Concert:** Please join us at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School as our KML bands and choirs glorify the Lord through song at the Sacred Concert on **Tuesday, March 11, at 6:30 PM.** Can't make it in person? Watch online at [kmlhs.org/stream](http://kmlhs.org/stream).

**New Hymnals for our New Church:** We will be equipping our new church with new hymnals. \$28 each (250-300 copies needed). Order forms are available in the back of church and outside the office at school.

**WELS Youth Night:** March 14, 7-9pm at KML in the PAC. This event is for all youth from 8th - 12th grade. Enjoy games, worship, keynote presentation, breakout sessions, and snacks. Register with this QR code. Invite your friends to come with you.

If you or your youth group leader would like to help with this event, please have them reach out to me. We are looking for young adult breakout small group leaders and others to help.

For the worship part of the night, we would love to get as many youth involved as possible singing/playing an instrument. Let me know if you have any youth that would like to be involved in this way.

Let's pray for a great night for our youth.

**Join Us for the Palms and Blooms Gala!** We invite you to join us at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School for an elegant evening at the 2025 KML Palms and Blooms Gala on **Saturday, April 5, 2025.** Enjoy tropical cuisine, live entertainment, live and silent auctions, and the chance to make a lasting impact in our students' lives and for generations to come. Proceeds benefit KML's building expansion project and the student assistance fund. **Registration NOW OPEN** at [kmlhs.org/gala](http://kmlhs.org/gala). **Final registration deadline: March 17, 2025.**

***The Little Mermaid Jr - Save the Date:*** Come and see talented students from KML Federation and KMLHS bring a favorite Disney movie to life. Show duration is about 1 hour with a convenient intermission. Public performances **June 19-22** will be held in KML's Performing Arts Center **Thursday and Friday @7pm, Saturday and Sunday @1pm.** Mrs. Luba Rohrback from Redeemer Lutheran Church is providing advanced theatre opportunities for any KML Federation students. There is still time to sign up for the auditions or stage crew. Auditions are March 2nd 12:00-3:00pm, March 4th 5:30-8:00pm, callbacks March 9th, 12:00-2pm;

Sign up link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoA4DA8AA29AoF58-53306445-auditions>

Please see the flyer for more information and contact Mrs. Rohrback at [lyubocka@gmail.com](mailto:lyubocka@gmail.com) with any questions.

**St. Lucas Spring Gala:** Our school's PTO will be hosting their annual spring Gala, Boots & Blue Jeans Ball, on **Thursday 3/13/25** at Foundry 45 from 5 pm - 7 pm. Enjoy a down home southern dinner catered by The Antidote, then kick back and enjoy some music performed by FM Rodeo. Participate in the silent auction and raffle to win some amazing items donated by individuals and businesses within our community. All proceeds from the Gala will go to purchasing new playground equipment for the school. Tickets cost \$50 per person. Use the QR code to visit the website for the Gala and purchase your tickets.



**DONATIONS NEEDED** - The St. Lucas PTO is looking for help in obtaining donations for the silent auction and raffle. If you or anyone you know would be able to donate items or services, it would be greatly appreciated! Donations from area small businesses are fantastic, but individual

donations are most definitely appreciated as well. No donation is too small, as smaller items, gift cards, etc. can be bundled together in baskets. Some ideas of small business who may want to donate are hair salons/spas, local shops/restaurants, grocery stores, pet groomers/veterinary offices, local farmers, bakeries, auto shops, or anywhere else you may frequent or have a relationship with a small business owner.

For questions, or to submit donations, please contact Liz Dreher (262-923-0241) or Jenell Enright (608-669-3190 / [jenellenright@gmail.com](mailto:jenellenright@gmail.com)).

**20<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Lucas Woman's Retreat:** The women of St. Lucas are cordially invited to our 20<sup>th</sup> annual Women's Retreat to be held on Saturday, 3/1/25. The event will begin at 8:30 am and will be located within our Lutheran Grade School in Hoenecke Hall. There is a registration fee of \$30 per person which includes lunch and all presentations.

Presentations:

- *Young Womanhood -College, Career, and Kids!* - Juli Hesse
- *Say What? I'm an Older Woman?* - Marilyn Sievert
- *Later Life* - Ron Szep

Brochures for the retreat will be available shortly which will contain a registration form to register. Otherwise, please feel free to register online at <https://StLucasRetreat2025.eventbrite.com>.

All online and paper registration for the event, along with payment, are due by Tuesday, 2/18/25.

**MLC Job Openings:** Martin Luther College is accepting applications for a full-time **Human Resources Generalist**, a part-time **Bookstore Assistant**, and a part-time **Men's Assistant Soccer Coach**.

Interested individuals should apply online at [mlc-wels.edu/hr/](http://mlc-wels.edu/hr/).

**Job opportunities for at WELS Center for Mission and Ministry:** WELS has opportunities for professionals to serve at the WELS Center for Mission and Ministry in Waukesha, Wis. Current open positions include Administrative Specialist - Joint Missions Office, Administrative Assistant - Christian Aid and Relief, Digital Communications Coordinator, and Marketing Coordinator.

For more information, visit [wels.net/careers](http://wels.net/careers). Information about other job openings at the WELS Center for Mission and Ministry is also available there.

**Job opportunities for communications professionals:** WELS has two job opportunities for communications professionals to serve at the WELS Center for Mission and Ministry in Waukesha.

1) The Digital Communications Coordinator will be responsible for the planning and management of all WELS website content, as well as providing support for social media and other digital marketing tools as part of WELS Communication Services. 2) The Marketing Coordinator will be responsible for managing the marketing and communication efforts of three WELS ministry support subsidiaries—WELS Foundation, WELS Investment Funds, and WELS Church Extension

Fund. For more information, visit [wels.net/careers](http://wels.net/careers). Information about other job openings at the WELS Center for Mission and Ministry is also available there.

## Celebrating God's Blessings This Week

### BIRTHDAYS

Jackson Symicek	2/23	Juli Hesse	2/27
Ashley Trapp	2/27	Bonnie Scott	2/28
Isla Peck	2/27	Garret Handke	3/1

### MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES



### REFLECTIONS ON REPENTANCE

Wednesdays @ 3:30 pm and 6:30 pm

**March 5th:** Ash Wednesday with Lord's Supper – Pastor Henning

**March 12th:** Removing Our Guilt – Pastor Rohrback

**March 19th:** Realizing Our Need for Repentance – Pastor Loescher

**March 26th:** Recognizing against Whom We Sin – Vicar Wendland

**April 2nd:** Revealing Our Sinful Nature – Pastor Woldt

**April 9th:** Remembering God's Perfect Demands – Pastor Bode

SOUP SUPPERS:  
**WEDNESDAYS**  
4:30 - 6:00 PM  
FOLLOWING THE  
3:30 PM SERVICE



## Holy Week WORSHIP

**April 17th: Holy Thursday**  
1:00 pm & 6:30 pm Service  
w/Holy Communion

**April 17th: Good Friday**  
1:00 pm Service of the 7 Words  
6:30 pm Tenebrae (Darkness)

**April 20th: Easter Sunday - The Festival of the Resurrection**

6:00 am Sunrise Service  
7:00 am - 8:00 am Easter Breakfast  
8:30 am & 10:30 am Festival Service

# CALENDAR



Readings for February 23rd - March 2nd 2025

FEB 23

Sunday

Job 18:1-21  
John 7:32-53

**Worship w/  
Communion 8 am**

Sunday School 9:15 am  
Bible Study 9:15 am

**Worship w/  
Communion 10:30 am**

FEB 24

Monday

Job 19:1-12, 21-27  
John 8:1-20

FEB 25

Tuesday

Job 20:1-23, 29  
John 8:21-38

Bible Study 6:30 pm

FEB 26

Wednesday

Job 21:1-21  
Job 21:22-30:15  
John 8:39-59

Catechism Instruction  
6th-8th Grade 3:30 pm

FEB 27

Thursday

Job 30:16-31  
John 9:1-23

Fuel for Moms 7:45 am  
Bible Study 10:00 am

FEB 28

Friday

Job 21:1-12, 33-40  
John 9:24-41

MAR 01

Saturday

Job 33:1-18  
John 10:22-42

**Worship 6:00 pm**

MAR 02

Sunday

Job 33:19-34:9  
John 11:1-16

**Worship 8 am**

Bible Study 9:15 am  
Sunday School 9:15 am

**Worship 10:30 am**

St. Lucas Lutheran Church strives to be a congregation that is always inviting, always edifying, and always equipping.  
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